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SECOND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Attn: Board of Appeals Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Subsequent to the filing of a Notice of Appeal by certificate of mail on March 31, 2003 and concurrent with the filing of an Appeal Brief, please amend the present application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 7 and 8 to read as follows:

- 7. (Amended) A pre-treating composition according to Claim 1 wherein the spreading agent is a nonionic surfactant.
- 8. (Amended) A pre-treating composition according to Claim 2 wherein the spreading agent is a nonionic surfactant.

